# LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 6707 DATE PREPARED:** Dec 10, 2001

BILL NUMBER: HB 1103 BILL AMENDED:

**SUBJECT:** Expedited Tax Sale in Certain Counties.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill provides that, in a county that contains a first or second class city, the redemption of certain property sold at a tax sale must occur within 180 days after the date of the sale.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

### **Explanation of State Expenditures:**

### **Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** Under current law, a taxpayer may redeem property that has been sold for nonpayment of property taxes during the specified redemption period. If not redeemed within the redemption period, the county auditor must issue a deed to the purchaser. For property sold at a regular sale, the redemption period is one year. This bill would reduce the one-year redemption period to six months for counties containing first or second class cities.

A shortened redemption period could entice more bidders to purchase tax sale property. This bill could help to get taxable property back onto the tax rolls sooner and could reduce long-term county collection expenses.

## **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

#### **State Agencies Affected:**

<u>Local Agencies Affected:</u> County Treasurers in Allen, Delaware, Elkhart, Floyd, Howard, Lake, Madison, Marion, Monroe, St. Joseph, Tippecanoe, Vanderburgh, Vigo, and Wayne Counties.

### **Information Sources:**

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